



Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: April 8, 2003
To: Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy
Chair Transportation and Public Works Committee

Subject: Revisions to the "Municipal State Aid Street System"

Recommendations:

1. Passage of the accompanying Resolution requesting the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Transportation to make additions to and deletions from the Municipal State Aid Street System of the City of Minneapolis.

Previous Directives:

2002R-131 passed April 19, 2002 Requesting deletions from and additions to the "Municipal State Aid Street System" within the City of Minneapolis

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Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

☒ No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves

☐ Other financial impact (Explain):

☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The purpose of this letter is to recommend actions that are necessary for the City to remain in compliance with the rules governing the Municipal State Aid (MSA) Street System and maximize the City's benefit from MSA.

Since 1997 the City has received between \$10.9 and \$13.7 million per year for construction and maintenance of MSA streets. In order to maximize the amount of funding the City is eligible to

receive the City tries to maintain the maximum amount of mileage that is permitted on the MSA system. MSA designated routes must comply with MSA rules, which are made and promulgated by the Commissioner of Transportation. The Municipal State Aid System within a City is designated and routes selected to meet the following criteria:

1. Routes are projected to carry a relatively heavier traffic volume than a typical local street and are usually collector or arterial streets.
2. Routes connect the points of major traffic interest, parks, parkways, or recreational areas within an urban municipality.
3. Routes provide an integrated and connected street system affording, within practical limits, a state-aid street network consistent with projected traffic demands.
4. A City can designate a maximum of 20% of its total street mileage as MSA.

Minneapolis has established, constructed, reconstructed, and maintained 202 miles (2002) of designated Municipal State Aid routes within the City within the above mentioned criteria. A City Council Resolution requesting modification to the City's MSA system is required by May 1, 2003 in order to remain in compliance with MSA rules due to changes that have occurred on the system. These revisions are necessary for various reasons:

- The street right of way of an MSA route was vacated.
- Construction of Light Rail Transit on 5th Street through downtown makes 5th Street no longer eligible for MSA designation and eliminates its one-way pair, 6th Street, from eligibility as well.
- Routes have lost their integrated connection to other qualifying streets.
- Speed tables were constructed on two MSA routes; 28th Street West at Irving Avenue South and Dupont Avenue South between 47th Street and 48th Street West. The MnDOT Office of State Aid has since ruled that speed humps and tables do not comply with MSA standards. Therefore, MSA routes with speed humps/tables must either be removed from the system or the speed humps/tables must be removed from the street. Staff is recommending one route, 28th Street, be removed from the system so that the speed table can remain in place. Staff recommends no action regarding the speed table on Dupont Avenue South at this time. A recommendation will be brought to your Committee later in 2003 regarding the Dupont Avenue designation after a community meeting has been held with regards to the speed table that is in place.

Staff has prepared a resolution for your Committee's consideration requesting that the Commissioner of Transportation make the appropriate changes to the Municipal State Aid Street System in the City of Minneapolis to properly reflect the changes that are occurring. The proposed changes and specific reasons for these changes are as follows:

Streets proposed for **deletion** from the MSA system are listed below. A map illustrating the City of Minneapolis State Aid System with the proposed changes is attached.

Delete - Minneapolis MSA route 293, Sibley St. NE from 8th Ave. NE to 13th Ave. NE and 13th Ave. NE from Sibley St. NE to Marshall St. NE.

The deletion of this route is necessary due to loss of connection on the system. The right of way for Sibley St. NE from 10th Ave. NE to 11th Ave. NE was vacated to the adjoining property owner.

Delete - Minneapolis MSA route 241, 28th St. W. from Hennepin Ave. to E. Lake of the Isles Parkway.

The deletion of this route is being proposed due to the addition of a raised crosswalk at the intersection of Humbolt Ave. S. that does not meet State Aid design criteria.

Delete - Minneapolis MSA route 172, Irving Ave. S. from 28th St. W. to Lagoon Ave.

The deletion of this route is being proposed due to the loss of connection on the State Aid System from the above-mentioned deletion of route 172.

Delete - Minneapolis MSA route 219, 6th St. N. & S. from 1st Ave. N. to Park Ave.

The deletion of this route is necessary due to the deletion of MSA route 218 5th St. N. & S. in 2002. This route is considered a matching one-way pair with 5th St. from 1st Ave. N. to Park Avenue, which was deleted from the MSA system in 2002 due to the construction of the LRT rail line. The MSA office requires this deletion.

Streets proposed for **addition** to the MSA system are:

Add - MSA route 449, Godward St. NE from Spring St. NE to E. Broadway (0.35 miles)

The proposed addition of this route will connect points of major interest in the City of Minneapolis between Spring St. NE (MSA route 436) and E. Broadway (MSA route 333). The proposed addition is in a commercial/industrial area of the city and carries a higher concentration of heavy commercial traffic.

Add - MSA route 450, Taft St. NE from E. Hennepin Ave. to E. Broadway (0.48 miles)

The proposed addition of this route will connect points of major interest in the City of Minneapolis between E. Hennepin Ave. (CSAH route 52) and E. Broadway (MSA route 333). The proposed addition is in a commercial/industrial area of the city and carries a higher concentration of heavy commercial traffic.

Add - MSA route 451, Talmage Ave. from 29th Ave. SE to 33rd Ave. SE (0.23 miles)

The proposed addition of this route will connect points of major interest in the City of Minneapolis between 29th Ave. SE (MSA route 346) and 33rd Ave. SE (MSA route 444). The proposed addition is in a commercial/industrial area of the city and carries a higher concentration of heavy commercial traffic.

Add - MSA route 313, Hennepin Ave. from 8th St. S. to 12th St. S. (0.27 miles)

The proposed extension of this segment of Hennepin Ave. is requested due to the MnDOT trunk highway release of unneeded right of way. The

addition of this segment of Hennepin completes the designation of Hennepin Ave. from 36th St. to the east city limits.

Add - MSA route 452, 7th Ave. North from Washington Ave. to 4th Street N. (0.15 miles)

The proposed addition of this route will connect points of major interest in the City of Minneapolis between Washington Ave. N. (CSA route 152) and 4th Street N. (MSA route 217). The proposed addition is in a commercial/industrial area of the city and carries a higher concentration of heavy commercial traffic.

Attachments:

City of Minneapolis State Aid System Map with proposed changes.

cc: Council Member Lane
Council Member Goodman
Council Member Samuels
Council Member Johnson Lee
Council Member Ostrow
Jon Wertjes
Mike Kennedy
Steve Collin

T&PW - Your Committee recommends passage of the accompanying Resolution, which requests the deletion of the following Streets on the Municipal State Aid Street System within the City of Minneapolis:

Sibley St. NE from 8th Ave. NE to 13th Ave. NE

13th Ave. NE from Sibley St. NE to Marshall St.

28th St. W. from Hennepin Ave. to East Lake of the Isles Parkway

Irving Ave. S. from 28th St. W. to Lagoon Ave.

6th St. N. & S. from 1st Ave. N. to Park Ave.

Your committee further requests the addition to or extension of the following streets on the Municipal State Aid Street System within the City of Minneapolis:

Godward St. NE from Spring St. NE to E. Broadway

Taft St. NE from E. Hennepin Ave. to E. Broadway

Talmage Ave. from 29th Ave. SE to 33rd Ave. SE

Hennepin Ave. from 8th St. S. to 12th St. S.

7th Ave. North from Washington Ave. to 4th Street N.

Colvin Roy

Requesting deletions from and additions to the “Municipal State Aid Street System” within the City of Minneapolis.

Whereas, it appears to the City Council of the City of Minneapolis that the streets hereinafter described should be deleted from, or added to the system of “Municipal State Aid Streets” under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes of 1983, Chapter 162; and

Whereas, it is the desire of said City Council that said streets be deleted from, or added to the system of “Municipal State Aid Streets” as previously established;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

That said streets described and numbered as follows and designated as “Municipal State Aid Streets” as previously established be deleted from the system subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of Minnesota:

No 293 - Sibley St. NE from 8th Ave. NE to 13th Ave. NE and
13th Ave. NE from Sibley St. NE to Marshall St., (0.54 miles)

No 241 - 28th St. W. from Henn. Ave. to E. Lake of the Isles Pkwy., (0.22 miles)

No 172 - Irving Ave. S. from 28th St. W. to Lagoon Ave. (0.25 miles)

No 219 - 6th St. N. & S. from 1st Ave. N. to Park Ave. (0.75 miles)

Be It Further Resolved that the streets described and numbered as follows be designated as “Municipal State Aid Streets” of said City subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of Minnesota:

Route Additions:

No 449 - Godward St. NE from Spring St. NE to E. Broadway (0.35 miles)

No 450 - Taft St. NE from E. Hennepin Ave. to E. Broadway (0.48 miles)

No 451 - Talmage St. from 29th Ave. SE to 33rd Ave. SE (0.23 miles)

No 452 - 7th Ave. North from Washington Ave. to 4th Street N. (0.15 miles)

Route Extensions:

No 313 - Hennepin Ave. from 8th St. S. to 12th St. S. (0.27 miles)

Be It Further Resolved that upon approval of the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of Minnesota of said streets, such approved streets shall comprise deletions from and additions to the “Municipal State Aid Street System” of the City of Minneapolis and that the same be constructed, improved and maintained in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commissioner of Transportation and the provisions of Minnesota Statutes of 2001, Section 162.09.